

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Makoto INOUE, et al.



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Examiner: Jasmin, Lynda C.

For: SYSTEM FOR PLACING ORDERS HAVING MECHANISM FOR
REPLACING AN ITEM IN AN ELECTRONIC CATALOG

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT/ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2004, please consider the following:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

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